

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Gurin et al.

Application No.: 10/786943

Date Filed:

For: ALKALINE ELECTROLYTE FUEL CELLS
WITH IMPROVED HYDROGEN-OXYGEN SUPPLY SYSTEM

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PETITION GRANTED

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c)

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.102 and MPEP 708.02, Applicants hereby Petition to Make Special for an advancement of examination the above-described United States Patent Application. Since the above-referenced Application is believed to qualify under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c), this petition is filed without fee. However, should a fee be determined to be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in any fees due with the filing of this paper, or during prosecution of this application to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

Applicants request special status for the referenced application on the basis that the claimed invention will "materially contribute to the development or conservation of energy

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